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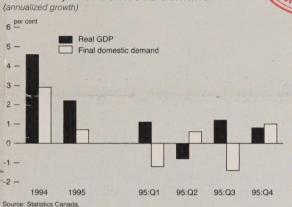
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# Real GDP, final domestic demand



Selected Canadian economic statistics

				1995				
	1994	1995	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
Annualized growth rates								
Real gross domestic product	4.6	2.2	1.1	-0.8	1.2	0.8		
GDP excluding inventories	4.3	1.8	-2.1	-1.0	2.7	2.6		
Final domestic demand	2.9	0.7	-1.2	0.6	-1.4	1.0		
Employment	2.1	1.6	1.0	0.5	0.6	1.1		
Other								
Unemployment rate	10.4	9.5	9.7	9.5	9.5	9.4		
Current account balance (per cent of nominal GDP)	-3.0	-1.7	-2.3	-2.4	-1.3	-0.6		

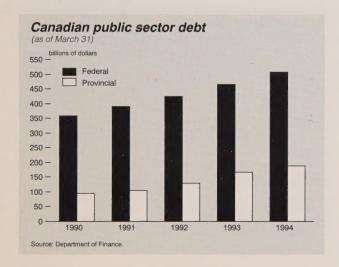
Source: Statistics Canada.

### International CPI inflation comparisons

(per cent change in CPI)

	A	verage	annua	annual growth								19	95					
	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Canada	5.6	1.5	1.8	0.2	2.1		0.6	:: 1.8	2.2	2.5	2.9	2.7	2.5	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.1	1.7
United States	4.2	3.0	3.0	2.6	2.8		2.8	2.9	2.9	3.1	3.2	3.0	2.8	2.6	2.5	2.8	2.6	2.5
Germany	3.5	5.1	4.5	2.7	1.8		2.1	2.0	1.9	2.1	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.5	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.5
Japan	3.3	1.7	1.3	0.7	0.0		0.6	0.2	-0.4	-0.2	0.0	0.3	0.1	-0.2	0.2	-0.6	-0.7	-0.3

Sources: Statistics Canada, OECD, Department of Finance.



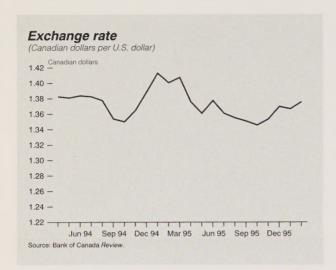
# Representative Canadian interest rates

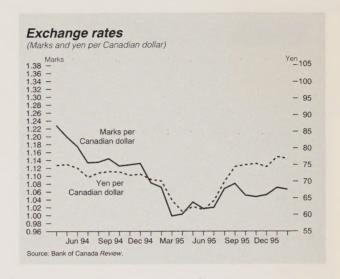
		1995							
	1994	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Jan	Feb		
Bank rate	5.77	8.41	7.59	6.72	6.50	5.37	5.50		
Chartered bank prime rate	6.88	9.50	9.25	8.08	7.75	7.25	7.00		
3-month Treasury bills	5.52	8.17	7.33	6.52	6.18	5.12	5.21		
10-year Canada bonds	8.42	8.89	8.00	8.05	7.39	7.01	7.53		
30-year Canada bonds	8.69	9.01	8.32	8.45	7.85	7.64	8.08		

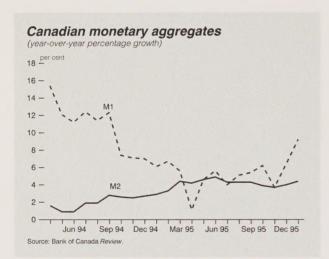
#### Canada-U.S. interest rate differentials

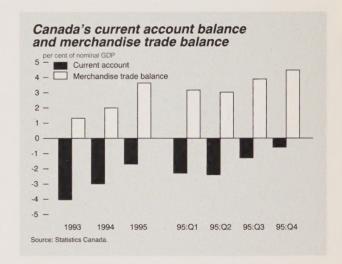
				199	95		
	1994	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Jan	Feb
3-month Treasury bills 10-year Canada bonds		2.27					

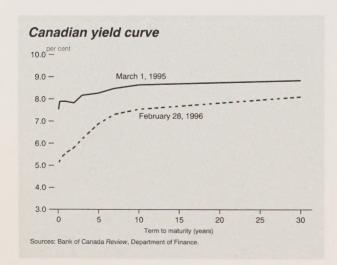
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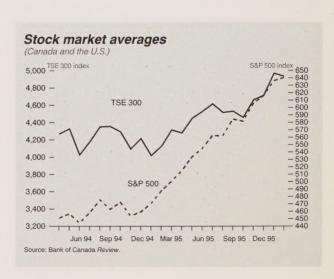












### Upcoming dates of interest

First quarter national accounts release - May 31, 1996

#### Government of Canada bond market benchmarks, March 6, 1996

Term	Maturity	Coupon	Amount outstanding	Yield Mar 6/96
Fixed coupon:		(%)	(millions of dollars)	(%)
2-year	Mar 15/98	6.00	5,700	5.91
3-year	Nov 1/98	8.00	5,100	6.16
5-year	Mar 1/01	7.50	9,400	6.79
10-year	Dec 1/05	8.75	8,000	7.47
30-year	Jun 1/25	9.00	8,900	8.03
Real retu	ırn:			
30-year	Dec 1/21	4.25	5,175	4.86

The normal bid-ask spread on these bonds is 5 cents.

Source: Department of Finance

#### Recent Government of Canada bond auction results

Auction date	Term	Maturity date	Coupon	Issue amount	Auction coverage
	(years)		(%)	(millions of dollars)	
Dec 20/95	5	Mar 1/01	7.50	2,100	2.5
Jan 17/96	30	Jun 1/25	9.00	1,250	2.2
Jan 31/96	10	Dec 1/06	7.00	2,200	2.3
Feb 14/96	5	Mar 1/01	7.50	2,600	2.3
Feb 28/96	30	Dec 1/26	4.25*	350	2.7
Mar 6/96	2	Mar 15/98	6.00	2,900	2.5

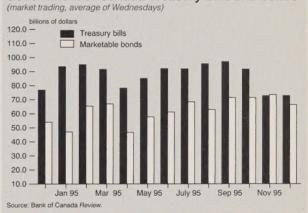
Coverage is defined as the ratio of total bids at auction to the amount auctioned.

Source: Department of Finance.

#### Forthcoming Government of Canada bond auctions

Type of /	Auction/offering date (1996)	Further details of issue (1996)	Dated and delivered (1996)	Amount maturing (millions of dollars)
Bond auction	Apr 3	Mar 28	Apr 15	_
30-year auctio	on* Apr 24	Apr 18	May 1	3,300
10-year auction	* May 8	May 2	May 15	-
5-year auction*	May 22	May 16	Jun 3	2,175
RRB auction**	May 29	May 23	Jun 6	-
2-year auction*	Jun 5	May 30	Jun 17	-

### Government of Canada Treasury bills and bonds



#### Outstanding Government of Canada Treasury bills, bonds (by term to maturity), and Canada Savings Bonds (as of February 28, 1996)

Transum				Marketabl			Canada Savings		
Treasury bills 0-2	0 - 2 years	2 – 5 years	5 - 10 years	10 - 20 years	20 - 30 years	Total	Bonds	Total	
				(billions of	dollars)				
158.7		38.6	68.4	79.2	34.0	31.6	251.8	31.0	441.5

Sources: Bank of Canada, Department of Finance.

# Government of Canada long-term credit ratings (as of February 29, 1996)

Moody's Investor Service: Aa1 (Canadian dollar debt)

Aa2 (Foreign currency debt)

Dominion Bond Rating Service: AAA (Canadian dollar debt)

AAA (Canadian dollar debt) Standard & Poor's:

Canadian Bond Rating Service: AA+

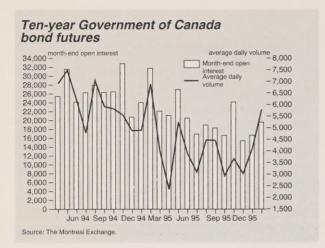
AA (high) (foreign currency debt)

AA+ (Foreign currency debt)

<sup>\*</sup>Real Return Bonds.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Single-price auction format.

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## Government of Canada budgetary deficit

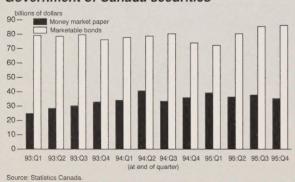
	(billions of dollars)
1992-93 fiscal year	41.0
1993-94 fiscal year	42.0
1994-95 fiscal year	37.5
1995-96 fiscal year	32.7
1996-97 fiscal year (Budget: March 6, 1996)	24.3

#### Forthcoming Government of Canada marketable bond maturities

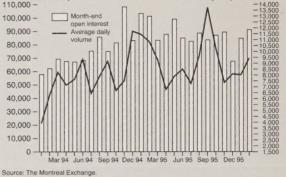
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			(1	millions of dolla	irs)
April to June 1996				5,475	
July to September 1996				8,955	
October to December 1996				3,425	
January to March 1997				8,200	
April to June 1997				876	
Source: Department of Finance	-				

# Foreign holdings of Government of Canada securities



#### Three-month Bankers Acceptance futures month-end open interest 110,000 -100,000 -90,000 -



#### Government of Canada marketable debt issues

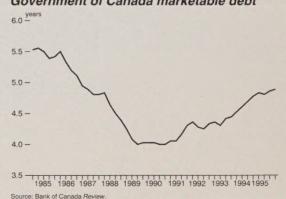
	Treasury bills	Marketable bonds					
		(billions of dollars)					
Gross issues	357.2	42.9					
Maturities	361.3	17.6					
Net issues	-4.1	25.3					

# Outstanding Government of Canada/

U.S. dollar-denominated debt (as of February 29, 1996)

	(millions of U.S. dollars)
Canada bills	3,686
Floating rate note maturing February 1999 (paying LIBOR less 25 basis points)	2,000
	2,000
6½% bonds maturing May 30, 2000	1,500
6%% bonds maturing July 21, 2005	1,500
Source: Department of Finance.	

#### Average term to maturity of Government of Canada marketable debt



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